

STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK

NOTICE OF COMMUNITY MEETING

Wednesday, February 13, 2002
6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Forum Hall, University Town Center

CITY OF VILLAGES COMMUNITY WORKSHOP

COASTAL COMMUNITIES

The workshop opened with the City of San Diego's Planning Director Gail Goldberg addressing the group on the concept of the City of Villages and the potential benefits it's development could have on the Coastal Communities. Following Ms. Goldberg's opening comments, Planning Staff presented a 30-minute slide show providing an overview of the City of Villages Growth Strategy.

The following is a list of questions asked by the community members following the presentation:

- 1) Where will the money come from for the necessary upgrades to streets, water, sewers, schools, etc? Are these types of items included in the 17 percent of the property tax revenues?
- 2) How does the General Plan relate to community plans?
- 3) What does it mean to "look at" community plans?
- 4) Is this information available on the Internet?
- 5) What does the City of Villages Environmental Impact Report address?
- 6) What will be the total number of housing units built when the plan is fully implemented in 2020?
- 7) Why doesn't the City redirect some money from the General Fund for the City of Villages?
- 8) What can be done to limit and/or prevent gentrification?
- 9) Is my area designated to become a village?
- 10) Will the UTC area be developed as a village without transit?
- 11) Where will we get the discipline to make the City of Villages plan work?
- 12) How will downtown be affected by the City of Villages?

- 13) What are Pilot Villages and how do they fit in with the overall City of Villages Plan?
- 14) Is the community planning process driven by downtown?

The following is a list of comments made by the community members:

- 1) I would accept the necessary tax increases for the City of Villages strategy.
- 2) The City of Villages is a romantic notion. UTC is not a village!
- 3) I'm very concerned UTC will become more dense – it's already dense enough!
- 4) There is already an impossible level of traffic in University City.
- 5) This City of Villages plan will require a shift in the community's mentality to make it work, especially the transit.
- 6) I don't see the City of Villages Strategy as an intelligent decision.